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For:

A PREFORM INLET ARRANGEMENT FOR AN OPTICAL FIBER DRAWING FURNACE, A FURNACE PROVIDED WITH THAT KIND OF INLET ARRANGEMENT, AND A PREFORM

EQUIPPED TO CO-OPERATE WITH THAT INLET ARRANGEMENT

## SUBMISSION OF EXECUTED DECLARATION AND VERIFIED ENGLISH TRANSLATION IN RESPONSE TO THE NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION

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Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the "Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application filed under 37 CFR 1.53(b) - Filing Date Granted" dated February 6, 2001, for the above application, Applicants respectfully submit herewith the Declaration and verified English language translation for the above identified application properly executed by the inventors.

A check for the statutory fee of \$260.00 (\$130.00 for late declaration surcharge and \$130.00 for submission of English translation) is attached. Please also charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this paper is attached.

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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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## Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filling a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The application was filed in a language other than English. Applicant is required to provide an English translation of the specification and a statement that the translation is accurate. (See 37 CFR 1.52(d)).
- Applicant must file an English translation of the application, the \$ 130 fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(k), unless previously submitted, and a statement that the translation is accurate (37 CFR 1.52(d)).
- Because your specification was filed in a language other than English, the Office was unable to determine the number of claims submitted. Additional claim fees may be due once the number of claims can be determined.

The balance due by applicant is \$ 260.

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.

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